

Introduction to Law and Public Safety 1

Career Cluster	Law, Public Safety, Security & Corrections
Course Code	15001
Prerequisite(s)	None
Credit	1.0
Program of Study and	Foundation courses, Law and Public Safety 1, Law and Public Safety 2, Dual Credit to student's
Sequence	specific pathway, Capstone Experience
Student Organization	SkillsUSA
Coordinating Work-Based	Job shadowing, mentoring and youth internship opportunities are encouraged
Learning	
Industry Certifications	First Aid/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)/Automated External Defibrillator (AED) through
	American Red Cross or American Heart Association as appropriate
Dual Credit or Dual	Intro to Criminal Justice; Psychology of Human Relations; Medical Terminology; Intro to Law
Enrollment	Enforcement; Basic Anatomy; Fire Science; Emergency Medical Technician Intro Sociology,
	Intermediate or College Algebra, Tech Writing or Composition 1, General Psychology, Computer
	Science.
Teacher Certification	Law, Public Safety, Security & Corrections Cluster Endorsement; Social Science Education -Political Science
Resources	Law Enforcement Explorer program, Firefighter cadet/junior volunteer programs; SD Highway Patrol
	Youth Trooper Academy; Teen Court

Course Description:

Introduction to Law and Public Safety 1 is designed to give the student exposure to skills and knowledge recognized as critical for success in careers in legal services, corrections/law enforcement/security and protective services, and fire management/emergency medical services. Topics to be addressed in Introduction to Law and Public Safety 1 include: career options, lifestyle behaviors, social issues, state and local government, foundations of law, human relations, interpersonal communications, and technical writing.

Program of Study Application

Introduction to Law and Public Safety 1 is the first pathway course in the law and public safety program of study. The course is preceded by the series of foundation courses and followed by Introduction to Law and Public Safety 2, advance studies through dual credit options, and a capstone course.

Course Standards

Indicator # LPS 1 Identify career opportunity in the law and public safety fields.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
One	LPS 1.1 Explore career paths open for people with legal degrees	
	Examples:	
	Private practice opportunities	
	Business law	
	Family law	
	Public defender	
	 Prosecution 	
One	LPS 1.2 Explore career paths in the paralegal fields	
	Examples:	
	Court Reporters	
	Paralegal	
	Legal assistants	
One	LPS 1.3 Explore career paths in law enforcement and corrections	
	Examples:	
	Federal law enforcement positions	
	State law enforcement agencies	
	Sheriff's offices	
	Police officers	
	Corrections officers	
	Parole officers	
	Probation officers	

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One	LPS 1.4 Explore career paths in security and protective services
	Examples:
	Loss prevention
	Security consultant
	Corporate security
	Contract security
	Transportation
	Security Administration
One	Explore career paths in fire management and Emergency Medical
	Services (EMS)
	Examples:
	Federal fire services
	Local fire services
	Volunteer fire services
	Paramedic
	Emergency Medical Technician

Indicator # LPS 2 Analyze qualifications for careers in law and public safety

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
One	LPS 2.1 Identify entry level educational standards for careers in law and	
	public safety	
	Examples:	
	• Legal	
	Law Enforcement	
	Corrections	
	Security/Protective Services	
	Fire	
	Emergency Medical Service (EMS)	
Two	LPS 2.2 Compare and contrast the processes of hiring associated with	
	the different career paths in law and public safety	
	Examples:	
	Criminal history	
	Background checks	
	Work history	
	References	
	Developed references	
	Financial history	
	Health	
	Psychological	
	Polygraph	
Two	LPS 2.3Identify different physical standards associated with career	
	paths in law and public safety	
	Examples:	
	Physical Fitness Standards	
	Medical Disqualifiers	

Indicator # LPS 3 Recognize Career Development and Specialization

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Two	LPS 3.1 Identify career advancement potential for each of the career paths Examples: • Legal, lawyer to judgeships, lobbyist and political ambitions • Law enforcement, correction and security, fire and EMS promotional advancements with additions of responsibility and prestige.	
One	LPS 3.2 Recognize the types of specialized opportunities within each career path Examples: Investigative specializations Assignment specializations Lateral movement potentials within career paths	

Indicator # LPS 4 Identify, summarize, and analyze the intricacies that are included in lifestyle behaviors.

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Three	LPS 4.1 Analyze roles of economic, political, educational, familial, and religious institutions as agents of both continuity and change, citing current and past examples. Examples: Demographic and economic information gathered by various organizations/institutions. Personal interviews. Historical data / shifts.	
Three	LPS 4.2 Identify and analyze the top six factors that influence a person's mental health. Examples: Types of mental health issues law enforcement encounter. Mental health issues that affect personal actions. Personal interviews	
Three	LPS 4.3 Synthesize the lifestyle expectations of those in law and public safety careers Examples: • Expected income • Time demands • Work schedules • Impact on personal and home life	Utilize current members in the law enforcement field. Gather information from recruitment and employee manuals.

Indicator # LPS 5 Research social issues that impact law and public safety careers.

Two	LPS 5.1 Research prominent deviant behaviors within our society that may involve law enforcement. Examples: • Utilize information gathered from law enforcement and judicial records.	
Two	 LPS 5.2 Research criminal behavior within our society Examples: Utilize information gathered from law enforcement and judicial records. 	
Three	 LPS 5.3 Analyze the role of poverty in people and/or their families and the impact of poverty on personal and behavioral choices. Examples: Utilize school district information on students identified as living in poverty. Gather court information on crimes committed and analyze to identify any correlation between the crime and poverty. 	

Indicator # LPS 6 Differentiate the differences and similarities of state, county, local and tribal governments.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
One	LPS 6.1 Explain the jurisdiction associated with each of the different	
	layers of government	
	Examples:	
	 Lists the geographic boundaries associated with the different 	
	governmental levels.	
Two	LPS 6.2 Distinguish the constituent similarities and differences of each	
	of the levels of government	
	Examples:	
	 Categorizes the overlapping constituent based aspects of the 	
	various governmental levels.	
Two	LPS 6.3 Identify the unique characteristics of tribal government	
	Examples:	
	Distinguish the sovereign role of tribal government.	
Two	LPS 6.4 Compare and contrast the structures of state, county, local and	
	tribal governments	
	Examples:	
	Display governmental organization structures.	
	Match complementary roles within the different governmental	
	structures.	

Indicator # LPS 7 Examine the role of federalism in the United States

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Two	 LPS 7.1 Compare and contrast the forms of federalism Examples: Recognize the characteristics that are associated with forms of federalism Assess how differing forms of federalism impact the division of power among governmental units 	
Two	LPS 7.2 Explain the role federalism plays in the division of power between governmental units Examples: Compare the overlapping jurisdiction created by federalism.	

Indicator # LPS 8 Identify the executive, judicial and legislative branches of state, county, local and tribal government

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
One	LPS 8.1 Recognize roles and responsibilities of the positions of	
	governor, county commissioners, mayor and tribal chairperson	
	Examples:	
	Contrast the difference in the constituents and election process.	
One	LPS 8.2 Recognize the forms of legislature, city commissions and tribal	
	councils	
	Examples:	
	 Define roles of legislative bodies with each of the layers of 	
	government.	
	 Illustrate the different forms of city governments. 	
	Illustrate the composition of tribal government	
	Illustrate the composition of county government	
One	LPS 8.3 Recognize the positions within the state unified judicial system,	
	and tribal court system	
	Examples:	
	 Distinguish the role of each of the different court systems. 	
	 Identify the appellate levels of each court system. 	

Indicator # LPS 9 Summarize how laws are made

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
One	LPS 9.1 Identify the steps of the legislative process in which laws or statutes evolve Examples: • Summarize the role of committee action, floor action in the	
	 process Explain the role of the executive branch in the process. 	
Two	LPS 9.2 Compare the legislative processes of state, county, local and tribal governments Examples: Distinguish the difference between statutes, ordinances and rules.	

Indicator # LPS 10 Identify, analyze, and evaluate constitutional law, common law, statutory law, court decisions, and administrative law.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
	LPS 10.1 Evaluate and analyze the US legal system from the origin of	
	common law (legal tradition from English law) to our current system of	
Three	law.	
	Examples:	
	Research and analyze the progression of the initial US legal system to	
	the current day US legal system.	
	LPS 10.2 Demonstrate an understanding of the basis, purpose, and	
Three	application of constitutional law.	
	Examples:	
	 Utilize the US Constitution to determine the relationships 	
	among the executive, legislative and judiciary branches of the	
	US government.	
	 Utilize the US Constitution to understand the personal 	
	freedoms and rights extended to citizens and others.	
	 Evaluate the Bill of Rights and Constitutional Amendments. 	
Three	LPS 10.3 Demonstrate an understanding of the basis, purpose, and	
	application of statutory law.	
	Examples:	
	 Research city charters, county commissions, state legislature, 	
	and the US Congress.	
	 Analyze statutory laws and how they apply to citizens. 	
	 Utilize substantive law as an example of legal relationships 	
	between people or between people and the state.	
	Utilize procedural law to explain how the legal process is	
	intended to be executed.	

	LPS 10.4 Demonstrate an understanding of the basis, purpose, and	
Three	application of common law as it applies to case law and precedent.	
	Examples:	
	 Utilize common law to demonstrate precedent and its 	
	application.	
	 Utilize common law to demonstrate an understanding of the 	
	application of case law.	
	LPS 10.5 Demonstrate an understanding of the basis, purpose, and	
Three	application of court decisions.	
	Examples:	
	Research the application of court decisions and how they apply to	
	those in litigation and the effect on others within society.	
	LPS 10.6 Demonstrate an understanding of the basis, purpose, and	
Three	application of administrative law.	
	Examples:	
	 Identify where government agencies attain authority to create 	
	administrative law.	
	 Utilize government agencies to identify administrative law and 	
	the application it has on citizens.	
	 Identify and discuss Acts such as the Health Insurance 	
	Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Family Educational	
	Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), etc.	
	LPS 10.7 Research and analyze components and possible outcomes of	
Two	criminal law.	
	Examples:	
	 Utilize previous criminal court cases to illustrate the effects of 	
	criminal law.	
	 Use South Dakota Codified Law to identify crimes under Title 	
	22.	

	LPS 10.8 Research and analyze components and possible outcomes of	
Two	civil law.	
	Examples:	
	 Utilize previous civil court cases to illustrate the effects of civil law. 	
	 Use South Dakota Codified Law to identify civil violations. 	
	 Use case law to demonstrate the possible correlation between 	
	criminal law and civil law.	

Indicator # LPS 11 Understand the importance of human relations skills in the workplace and in personal life.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Two	LPS 11.1 Understand processes that guide human interactions. Examples: Demonstrate understanding of basic needs such as physical needs, safety, respect, autonomy and belonging which guide human interactions.	
Two	 LPS 11.2 Understand that different settings require different types of behavior, communication styles and relationships. Examples: Demonstrate understanding of differences in human relations in settings, such as workplace/professional settings, home, and the community. 	
Three	 LPS 11.3Understand effective human relations skills that can be utilized in the workplace and in personal life. Examples: Demonstrate understanding of, and ability to evaluate, human relations skills in a variety of situations, including workplace/professional settings, home, and the community. Evaluate situations and use human relations skills that will be effective in that particular setting. 	

Indicator # LPS 12Understand how to communicate effectively with peers, colleagues and the public.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Two	LPS 12.1 Understand the purposes of interpersonal communication with peers, colleagues and the public in workplace and social settings. Examples: Demonstrate understanding of the differences in interpersonal communication with peers, colleagues and the public.	
Two	LPS 12.2 Understand various modes of communication. Examples: • Explain and communicate understanding of verbal and nonverbal communication, professional vs. nonprofessional communication and technology vs. in-person communication.	
Three	LPS 12.3 Demonstrate effective interpersonal communication with peers, colleagues and the public in workplace and social settings. Examples: Practice communication with peers, colleagues and the public through a variety of methods in order to demonstrate effective interpersonal communication.	
Four	LPS 12. 4 Analyze your interpersonal communication methods, as well as those of others, in order to understand how to effectively communicate in the workplace. Examples: • Evaluate and analyze your interpersonal communication, as well as that of others, through a variety of methods, in order to increase your ability to communicate effectively in the workplace.	

Indicator # LPS 13 Understand the basics of technical writing for reports and for accurate and professional documentation in the law and public safety field.

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Two	Understand why technical writing in the law and public safety field needs to be factual, non-biased, and without conclusion, as opposed to that exhibited in persuasive, personal narrative, critical analysis, research and compare/contrast styles of writing. Examples: Demonstrate understanding of why technical writing in the law and public safety field needs to be factual, non-biased, and without conclusion.	
Three	Understand how to write a case report. Examples: • Demonstrate ability to write a case report.	